



# First Christian Church of Effingham

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*The Way, The Truth & The Life*

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## **Mark Your Calendar**

**Sunday, August 22nd** Children's Church will meet after communion with Gospel Project curriculum

**Tuesday, August 17th** Young @ Heart meets @ 9:00 a.m.

**Tuesdays Online Prayer Time** Starts @ noon on the First Christian Church Effingham Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/FCCEffingham> and You Tube [First Christian Church of Effingham - YouTube](#)

**Wednesday, August 18th** W.O.W. will meet at 6:00 p.m.

**Saturday, August 21st** Children Event Back 2 School meets from 10:00 a.m. to noon

**Saturday, August 28th** Salvation Army is sponsoring Back 2 School haircuts/showers

**Janitor Opening** As of mid August

**Sunday, September 5th** Calvary Baptist Food Pantry Items due. Bring Canned vegetables, Cereal or your choice

## **Ponderings of the Preacher . . .**

God has blessed our church during these last several days! In troubled times it is sometimes easy to forget the blessings God shares and focus more on the problems we face. We do live in difficult days, but our God is faithful sustaining us with His love. To keep us mindful of His goodness we need to count our blessings. Let me share with you a couple of the blessings He has shared with First Christian Church recently.

Last Wednesday morning, John and Cathy Weiffenbach were baptized. Their nephew Troy Bloemker performed the baptisms. They are now members of First Christian Church. If you were here for our worship services yesterday, you were able to see the video of their baptism. Congratulations John and Cathy and welcome to our church family!

Yesterday evening, our church family was able to join together for an end of summer picnic at Lake Sara. There were 32 people in attendance. The food was plentiful, the fellowship was sweet, the worship was inspirational and the weather was delightful. The worship time was a "Galilean Service" (Mark 4:1). Thanks to Jane Ann Zerkel for leading us in worshipful songs and thanks to Denny Bushue for piloting the boat. If you were unable to attend, then I am sorry that you missed out on a truly marvelous evening. We will be planning another time of fellowship for the church family coming up in the fall.

"To him who is able to keep you from falling and to present you before his glorious presence without fault and with great joy – to the only God our Savior be glory, majesty, power and authority, through Jesus Christ our Lord, before all ages, now and forevermore! Amen" Jude 25

I hope to see you next Sunday in church and to be able to greet each of you personally.

C U N Church,  
David



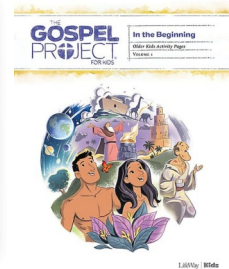
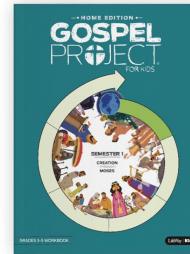
<b>Serving In August</b> <b>Communion Table :</b> August 22nd—Jon Zerkel; August 29th—Dennis Bushue	
<b>8/8/2021 Attendance &amp; Giving</b> <b>Total: \$2,129.00</b> <b>includes Faith Promise &amp; Online Giving</b>	<b>8/15/2021 Attendance &amp; Giving</b> <b>Total: \$3,428.49</b> <b>includes Faith Promise &amp; Online Giving</b>
Attendance: 57 Property Ministry (Building) \$40.00	Attendance: 69 Property Ministry (Building): \$40.00 FCW Donation: \$126.41
<b>Faith Promise: \$301.00</b>	<b>Faith Promise \$351.00</b> CD Interest: \$116.06 Countrymark Refining: \$10.02

## Children's Church

### Sunday, August 22nd

Children's church will meet in Beebe Hall directly after communion on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month. Children 5th grade and under are invited to attend. Gospel Project curriculum will be used for these classes.

There is also a home edition parents can buy.



## Young @ Heart

### Tuesday, August 17th

All over 50 meet @ 9:00 a.m. Coffee will be available along with a snack cake. Come for the conversation and prayer time.



## W.O.W.

### Wednesday, August 18th

The Fall W.O.W. restarts on August 18th and starts at 6:00 p.m. for worship, prayer and continuing with *The Chosen* video series.



# Prayer List



**Cancer:** Paula (radiation & chemo), Elizabeth Weidner (struggling)

**Special Needs:** Elsie Palmer (surgery), DaOna Poe (pressure sore), Hayden Larson (broken foot and toes), Taryn (seizures), Christy Carrizosa (Carpal Tunnel), Ruth Lowrance (surgery rehab), Tonya (health concerns) & Josie (Covid 19), LeAnn Spruell (8/18/21 Surgery), Cathy Weiffenbach (8/20/21 Surgery), Peggy (health issues), Shaun Bogan (sepsis), LeAnn Waddelow (surgery in Sept.), Pat O'Leary (Covid 19 in hospital), Rockford friend (blood clot), Milo (few months old, ICU)

**Missions:** Faith Promise 2021/2022, Voice of the Martyrs, IDES, Bible Runners

**Pray For These Families:** Rosie Parkhurst Family, Kerry Monical Family, Ron Lowrance Family, Kitty Jo Herrmann Family, Brent Wall Family, Randall Poe Family

**NEW: Prayer Bulletin Board:** Anyone can add anonymous prayers to the board. Note paper & pen available.

## Tuesday, Prayer Time

### Every Tuesday @ Noon

Join us on Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/FCCEffingham> to share in the prayer time with Pastor David & Pastor Martin. The prayer time can be viewed at your convenience because it is streamed and saved.



## Upcoming Events



FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH OF  
EFFINGHAM'S CHILDREN EVENT

### BACK TO SCHOOL PARTY

YOU'RE INVITED TO JOIN US

WE WILL HAVE GAMES,  
SNACKS, AND MUCH MORE!

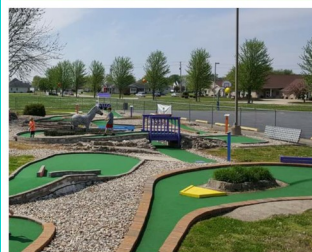
*From 10:00AM to Noon*  
**SATURDAY 08/21**



### YOUTH EVENT: *Mini-Golfing Outing*

Hole in One!!! (or seven).

**08/21 AT 6:00PM**  
**AT EVERGREEN MINI GOLF**





Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b><i>Happy Labor Day!!</i></b> 			1 Youth & Young Adults W.O.W. 6:00 p.m.	2	3 New Believers' Class meets @ 6:00 p.m.	4 Youth & Young Adults movie night
5	6	7 Young @ Heart 9:00 a.m.	8 All Ages W.O.W. meets @ 6:00 p.m.	9	10	11
12	13	14 Young @ Heart 9:00 a.m.	15 W.O.W. meets @ 6:00 p.m.	16	17	18 Men's meeting @ 8 a.m. Children's Event mini golf
19	20	21 Young @ Heart 9:00 a.m.	22 W.O.W. meets @ 6:00 p.m.	23	24	25 Ladies Tea & Conversation 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.
26	27	28 Young @ Heart 9:00 a.m.	29 W.O.W. meets @ 6:00 p.m.	30		



## *September Birthday & Anniversaries*



3 Astrid Zubiarte	BD
4-Analise Brown	BD
5-Dorothy Locke	BD
5-Maci Renee Lewis	BD
7-Charolette Bushue	BD
12-Abby Smith	BD
13-Emily Griffin	BD
16-Sandi Donaldson	BD
18-Elaine Griffin	BD
20-John Weiffenbach	BD
21-Dallas & Hazel Kingery	WA
22-Hazel Kingery	BD
22-J.T. Bloemker	BD
22-Sheryl Rincker	BD
29-Claudine Rush	BD
29-Chris & Sheila Hutcheson	WA

## *Tea & Conversation*

### **Saturday, September 25th**

**Who:** All women and girls invited to attend our gatherings

**When:** the fourth Saturday morning of each month

**Time:** 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Come, get to know each other.

A snack is planned to add to the tea and conversation.

Bring your prayer requests and what testimonies you are interested in hearing about.

After requests for testimonies are talked about, once a month a testimony will be given on the subjects most want to hear about. Many have dealt with grief, wayward children, new beginnings, etc. Come and hear their stories.





## *Bible Runners V.B.S. Mission*

**Jess & Owen Sweitzer are Bible Runners** who bring Bibles and Sunday School Materials to Kenya where Bibles are not affordable in their economy.

**Acceptable Materials:**

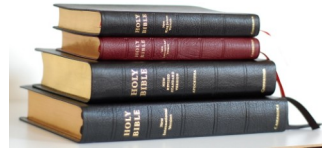
**Bibles**—All Bibles, New Testaments & Bible portions (new & used)

**Books, Paperbacks & Tracts**—All Christian Books, paperbacks & tracks

**Magazines**—examples: Discipleship Journal, Decision, Bible Study Magazine, etc. (cannot accept Guideposts)

**Misc.**—All daily devotionals, reference books & commentaries

**Sunday School Supplies**—All adult & Children Sunday School materials from reputable publishers, they prefer you have a leaders guide & at least 8 student manuals. Please no handiwork, crafts or busy papers.



## *Janitor*

### Beginning Now

If you are interested in applying for this job, please, send a letter of application to First Christian Church, 901 N. Henrietta St. Effingham, IL



## *Back 2 School Free Haircuts/Showers*

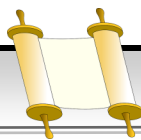
### Saturday, August 28th

**Salvation Army** is sponsoring Free Haircuts at First Christian Church.



They are also sponsoring free showers for use at Days Inn @ 1205 N. Keller Dr., Effingham, IL





## Book Of The Month



### Bible Reading

*Study Guide for Jeremiah & Lamentations is on the foyer table*

**Goals:**

Greater knowledge of the Bible

Help one develop consistency in Bible reading.



## Oil Belt Christian Service Camp

### 75 Year Anniversary

Join with us the celebrate Oil Belt Christian Service Camp's 75th year!

Below are a few of the activities and plans we have.

Oil Belt Recipe & History Book is currently being created. To purchase yours, more information is forthcoming.

Attend Family Camp 2021 for a special service on Sunday, September 5, 2021.

- Mail / Email your pictures, videos and stories to the camp office!

- Stay Tuned! We have more planned!



## Food Pantry Items

### Sunday, September 5th

Please bring Vegetables, Cereal or your choice for the Calvary Baptist Food Pantry.



## Faith Promise 2020

### Promises Made

\$36,117.00 for 2020/2021

**Theme:** Take God At His Word

**Bible Verse:** "But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well." Matthew 6:33

**Received—\$33,570.00**



**God is  
So Good**

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SERVICE REQUESTED**



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**Sunday Times**

9:00 a.m. Sunday School

9:40 a.m. to 9:50 a.m. Fellowship Time

10:00 a.m. Worship Service

**Tuesday Morning**

9:00 a.m. Young @ Heart Coffee & Prayer Time

**Wednesday Evening**

6:00 p.m. Bible Study & Worship Time

